

CLAIMS

1. A bucket tackle system for organizing, transporting and storing of fishing rods and reels, said bucket tackle system

5 comprising:

a bucket having a closed bottom base and a cylindrical side wall extending upwardly from said closed bottom base and terminating in an open end;

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a fishing rod and reel holder insert assembly including a flat disc portion, a plurality of end cap members fixedly secured to said disc portion, and a plurality of hollow tubular members having a first end and a second end;

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the first end of each of said plurality of tubular members being fixedly secured to a corresponding one of said plurality of end cap members so as to be vertically extending therefrom;

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the second end of each of said plurality of tubular members being formed with opposed first and second slots

adapted for holding handle portions of the fishing rods
and reels; and

a cover having a plurality of openings, said
5 openings being aligned with the first ends of said
plurality of tubular members so that said cover is
slidable down over the tubular members and is engageable
with the open end of the bucket,

10 whereby the handle portions of the fishing rods and
reels are insertable into corresponding ones of the
plurality of tubular members and are supported and
maintained in a vertical position adjacent to each other.

15 2. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 1, wherein
said bucket has a cylindrical shape for holding a five-gallon
capacity.

3. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 1, wherein
20 said bucket is molded of a one-piece construction of plastic
material.

4. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said plurality of end cap members and said plurality of tubular members are made of a plastic material.

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5. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said plurality of end cap members and said plurality of tubular members are made of a polyvinyl chloride material.

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6. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said cover is made of a plastic material.

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7. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said each of said plurality of tubular members has length of about twenty inches and a diameter of about one and one-half inches.

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8. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said opposed first slot consist of a U-shaped cut-out having a width of about one inch and a height of about two an one-fourth inches.

9. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 8, wherein said opposed second slot consist of a U-shaped cut-out having a width of about one inch and a height of about one inch.

10. A bucket tackle system for organizing, transporting and storing fishing lures and other fishing equipment, said bucket tackle system comprising:

5 bucket means having a closed bottom base and a cylindrical side wall extending upwardly from said closed bottom base and terminating in an open end forming a lip portion;

10 said lip portion being formed with a plurality of U-shaped slots which are equally spaced apart from each other;

 said bucket means being formed with an outer
15 circumferential ledge portion disposed slightly below said lip portion and provided with a plurality of small holes, each of the holes being aligned substantially in the middle of a corresponding of said plurality of U-shaped slots;

20 container means being disposed on an inside wall and the bottom base of said bucket means; and

cover means being secured to the lip portion of said
bucket means so as to close the same and serving as a
seat.

5 11. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 10,
wherein hooks of the fishing lures are insertable between the
plurality of U-shaped slots on said lip portion with the tips
thereof extending into the associated holes so as to secure
the fishing lures to be hanging on the inside wall of said
10 bucket means.

12. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 11, wherein
said container means include a tray which is compartmentalized for
holding a variety of fishing accessories.

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13. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 12, wherein
said tray is subdivided into one larger compartment so as to
accommodate larger size fishing accessories such as weights,
pliers, scalers, jigging lures and the like and two smaller
20 compartments so as to hold various small size fishing accessories
such as hooks, sinkers, plugs, spools and the like.

14. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 12, wherein
said tray is made of a plastic material.

15. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 15, further comprising a bail having a handle which is mounted adjacent to the top of the side wall of said bucket means.

5 16. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 10, further comprising a plurality of accessories holder means fixedly secured adjacent to the outside surface of said bucket means for holding various larger fishing accessories such as pliers, fillet knives, jigging lures and the like.

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17. A bucket tackle system for organizing, transporting and storing of fishing rods and reels, said bucket tackle system comprising:

5 bucket means having a closed bottom base and a cylindrical side wall extending upwardly from said closed bottom base and terminating in an open end;

10 fishing rod and holder means for holding fishing rods and reels;

15 said fishing rod and reel holder means including a plurality of end cap members and a plurality of hollow tubular members having a first end and a second end;

 the first end of each of said plurality of tubular members being fixedly secured to a corresponding one of said plurality of end cap members so as to be vertically extending therefrom;

20 the second end of each of said plurality of tubular members being formed with opposed first and second slots adapted for holding handle portions of the fishing rods and reels; and

cover means having a plurality of openings, said
openings being aligned with the first ends of said
plurality of tubular members so that said cover is
5 slidable down over the tubular members and is engageable
with the open end of said bucket means.

18. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 17, wherein
said bucket means is molded of a one-piece construction of plastic
10 material.

19. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 17, wherein
said plurality of end cap members and said plurality of tubular
members are made of a polyvinyl chloride material.

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20. A bucket tackle system as claimed in Claim 17, wherein
said cover means is made of a plastic material.